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Happy (and hot) September to all!

It's now official; we have dog days in September too. Good thing fall is just around the corner. And speaking of just around the corner so is the beginning of our General Meeting season.

I look forward to seeing everyone again over the next few months. We have great programs lined up so start marking off the third Wednesday of the month through next May. Our volunteer opportunities continue in full force as well and September is full of events allowing you time to get out and help the cause.

Check out the Chapter events calendar link below. For those of you interested in mentoring veterans through the Project Healing Waters program, that schedule can be found below as well.

Enough said! Get out and enjoy everything while you can. It won't be long before it will be 10 degrees with wind and these days will be a longing memory.

Dick

[Dick Jefferies](#), President
Rocky Mountain Flycaster

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PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

[Brad Kiehne](#), Program Director

Fall Membership Meeting Speakers

you can afford. Special Recognition occurs at the \$50 level.

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Kerry Carahar - September 18th
Encampment River - Wade and Float Fishing

Adam Omernick - October 16th
Owner of NOCO Fly Fishing.com presents an evening of Tenkara

Fall Fishing Trips: "Let's Go Fishing"

Since our next monthly meeting will be September 18, you can still sign up for trips by email or phone. These are our last few trips of the year, so get out there and catch a few!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Trip</u>	<u>Host</u>
Sept. 7	RMNP Dream Lake: "Cutthroat Crazies" 7 people have signed up, but more are welcome. Sight fishing to 9-13 inch cut ties in crystal clear water.	Mark Miller
Sept. 28	Poudre/Big South: "Grand Slam" Room for one more angler.	Dennis Cook
Oct. 19	Colorado River Main Stem: "Trout Potourri" Only 2 have signed up so far. Anyone else?	Mark Miller
Nov. 9	Big Thompson Canyon: "Bows-Brownies Bash"	Mark Miller



It is not too early to be thinking about trip ideas and destinations for next year. If you have a favorite place to fish, please consider passing the idea on to Mark Miller, so he can start building a suggested RMF Trip list for 2014. Any and all ideas are welcome. There are lots of fish out there that need catching!! (contact Mark Miller at 970-744-8229, or at flytyer.miller@gmail.com).

We will be needing Trip Hosts for 2014. If you have been to one of these areas once or twice, you are qualified to host! We just need someone to set up a meeting time and place, some car pooling, and keep us from getting lost. It's that simple! Contact Mark Miller on his phone

or email address. Both are listed above.

September 18 Membership Meeting: Kerry Caragher, Guest Speaker
[Dennis Cook](#)



Kerry Caragher, Guest Speaker

Our first guest speaker this year (September 18) will be Kerry Caragher, fishing manager for Orvis-Cherry Creek, respected guide and leader in our regional fly fishing industry, and a regular fly tyer and speaker with regional TU chapters.

Kerry also helped secure corporate grant funding for the Golden Mile habitat restoration project on his personal "home waters" of Clear Creek. He frequents the waters of the North Platte watershed in Wyoming, and the Encampment River has become one of his favorite haunts there. Many of us know the Encampment as an outstanding float trip with a limited window of opportunity, but most seem to have overlooked that it is also an equally outstanding wade fishery...if one knows the access points and river lore.

Kerry's presentation will primarily focus on Encampment's wade fishing information. As one of the nearest of Wyoming's larger waters the Encampment offers a reasonably economical day or couple days.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AND RECOGNITION

September 14: Volunteers Needed for Gateway Natural Area

[Dave Piske](#)

Fill that empty spot on your calendar the morning of Saturday, September 14. Join the crew of RMF volunteers already committed to restoring historic hiking trails at the Poudre's confluence with the North Fork. This site is stunning for its beauty and wildlife.

The combination of a short drive from Fort Collins; only three hours of moderately physical work; a free lunch; and leaving the afternoon open for fishing or returning to town for an afternoon event, makes this project really easy.

The work is planned and supervised by staff of Fort Collins Natural Areas Department. All project materials, tools, and training for safe use, are provided by these friendly folks.

Mark your calendar now, reserving the morning of September 14. Contact Dave Piske to tell him you will be there at 8:00 AM. And also tell him the sandwich flavor of your choice (roast beef, ham, or veggie) that will be there to refresh you at 11:00 AM.

September 21: Volunteers Needed for Day for Kids Festival

[Dennis Cook](#)

Volunteers are needed to host a RMF's booth at the Day for Kids Festival held by the Larimer Boys & Girls Clubs at the new Fort Collins Museum of Discovery located in old town at 408 Mason Court. This is a fun event and does not require any unusual level of experience or skill.

Eight volunteers are needed across two 4-hour shifts. Shifts will run from 9:30am to 1:30 and from 1:00 to 5:00pm, plus about a half-hour each for setup and teardown. Please commit just a small amount of time to help make this a success for the kids, and...contact Dennis Cook at rkymtnangler@Q.com or call 372-9229 before it slips your memory.

Each shift needs one fly tier plus three others to demonstrate & instruct simple casting and several basic fishing knots, show guests the aquatic insects, answer fishing questions, hand out information and discuss Rocky Mountain Flycasters activities and the TU mission benefits in Northern Colorado.

Photos from the 2012 Day for Kids Festival



Paul Wehr assists casting while parents and Adam Omerick watch



Jerry Pelis ties flies and Will Huett discusses bottled aquatic insects

September-October: Project Healing Waters Mentoring Opportunities

Upcoming fly fishing trips are listed below. Please contact [Dean Miller](#) if you are interested in providing mentoring for a veteran.

September 11 - 14; Camp Hale, Leadville CO

September 20; Sylvan Dale Ranch, Loveland CO

September 23 - 26; Dubois WY

October 5; King Ranch, Cheyenne WY Note: This is a woman's only trip

October 6; King Ranch, Cheyenne WY

Nominations Requested: 2013 RMF Volunteer Recognition Awards

[Dick Jefferies](#)

It's time again to nominate chapter member volunteers who you believe deserve recognition for their contributions and accomplishments primarily throughout calendar year 2013.

The objective is to encourage members' good ideas and export that enthusiasm throughout the chapter, and also to recognize deserving community partner organizations or their representatives that contribute extraordinary support helping RMF accomplish its Mission objectives.

Award winners will be selected from among nominees by an annually appointed Awards Committee. It is not required that every category be awarded every year, and there sometimes may be multiple awardees in a category.

Awards will be announced at RMF's May Annual Meeting, and recipients may also be nominated to Colorado TU for statewide recognition award consideration at the Colorado TU Spring Rendezvous.

Nominations for an award category can be submitted by any member of Rocky Mountain Flycasters. Nominations for awards, with supportive information, must be submitted between January 1 and January 31 by email to the RMF Secretary at secretary@rockymtnflycasters.org. Complete details of the Awards procedure can be read or downloaded on the chapter website at <http://www.RockyMtnFlycasters.org/articles/rmfawards.php>

RMF MEMBER AWARDS

- Exemplary Chapter Function, Project or Activity Leadership Award
- Exemplary Youth Education Award
- Exemplary Youth Member Award
- Exemplary Conservation Volunteer Award
- Outstanding Chapter Volunteer Award

NoCO OUTREACH AWARDS

- Exemplary NoCO Guide/Outfitter Award
- Coldwater Resource Conservation Award

Please direct any questions to Dick Jefferies, President, at (970) 481-2924



Jerry Pelis, Jake Ruthven and Paul Wehr:
2012 Winners of Chapter Volunteer
Awards

GIVE US YOUR BEST SHOT

We're always looking for pictures germane to fly fishing, rivers, lakes, and watershed conservation, volunteers doing that work, fly tying, sharing fishing with youngsters and others, so the options are varied. Most suitable would be local with RMF members, but some other

destinations will be considered. Having permission to publish on our website will be implicit for submitted photos so make certain you have permission from anyone in your pictures.

Photographers will be acknowledged in a caption with the picture so rush those pictures in. Send your pictures to webmaster@rockymtnflycasters.org.

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